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We trust that the Senate coal price investigation will shake the thing down well. Also sift it.

The readers of the newspapers have unconsciously come to expect the worst news from Ireland although, admittedly, the news from day to day is not enough.

The New York man who got eighteen and one-half years in prison for selling wood alcohol, which caused the deaths of a hundred persons in three states, was not the beneficiary of a mark-down sale. Nor was the penalty any too high.

Buy a Red Cross Christmas seal now and then to help out the unfortunate and also to encourage the children who are doing a commendable work in canvassing for the sale of the seals. Be a customer—and, incidentally, do a good deed.

With practically no export call for American flour, with the domestic call slow normal and with a wheat crop which measures up fairly well with the average, there are prospects that the people of the United States will be getting lower-priced bread than at present.

Of the fifteen women who were licensed to preach by the Methodist Episcopal church since the general conference last May, three were residents of Vermont, which speaks well for the alertness and desire for service on the part of the women of the Green Mountain state.

The new commander of the Vermont National Guard, Major John W. Tinkler, has been so long associated with military affairs, particularly with the organization mentioned, that he should be in a position to give good service as the successor to Capt. Guy Cowan, who has gone into the regular army service.

To cut down on "overhead" expenses, various cities and towns of Washington county might abandon their own alarm systems and connect with Montpelier's, fully expecting, too, to be awakened when the thing goes wrong. This is not a complaint, but a tribute to the effectiveness of Montpelier's fire alarm system.

St. Johnsbury has an industry which is said to be the only large concern in New England running overtime in this period of dull manufacturing. Which information sends a trace of regret into the inwards of those Vermont towns which failed to snap up the opportunity to have the Fairbanks shops located in their communities. Nevertheless, there will be a spirit of congratulation to St. Johnsbury on its good fortune and a hope that there will be no slack business at all.

None of the respondents in U. S. court at Montpelier who were convicted of smuggling liquor from Canada into the United States confessed to the use of airplanes as vehicles of conveyance although they admitted talking about every other mode of locomotion. The airplane may be expected to play its part in the traffic if the element of too great publicity can be overcome. The trouble is that the

landing of an airplane is the signal for the gathering of people from all quarters of the compass.

President-elect Harding would be welcomed at the White House, says a back-handed invitation from that seat of government. Why not come out and say that President Wilson would be pleased to have the president-elect make a visit? Surely, there is no party wall which should keep the president and the president-elect separated from each other.

The national Republican congressional committee carries a balance of \$38,653 after all expenses of the campaign have been paid. Of course, the demands made upon the committee were nowhere near as large as those made on the national campaign committee of that party; but the committee has shown such good business husbandry that some of the members undoubtedly have qualified for places on the national campaign committee when the next election rolls around. The latter committee was not altogether happy in striking a balance on the right side of the ledger.

Those members of the league of nations who expect that mediation by President Wilson in Armenia means

intervention will, of course, be greatly mistaken when the true nature of the offer comes to light. There is a long way between mediation and intervention, the former being an offer to both sides to settle their differences, with no compulsory force back of it, and the latter being the use of force to bring about an adjustment. President Wilson's course is merely mediation; in other words, a recommendation.

THE COST OF EDUCATION.

One thing that continues to go up is the cost of education, Dartmouth college being the latest of the higher institutions to increase its tuition fee from \$200 to \$250. The cost of running such a great plant as Dartmouth college necessitates an increase now and then. Probably no college has any aspirations to make money off the students; they would all be satisfied if they should break even in finances while at the same time fulfilling their highest mission as educational institutions. It is quite certain, therefore, that none of the colleges or universities of the country propose to increase the charges to the students unless absolutely forced to such a step by the cost of administration and operation. A college cannot forever continue to run behind and expect to perform its rightful mission; the creditors

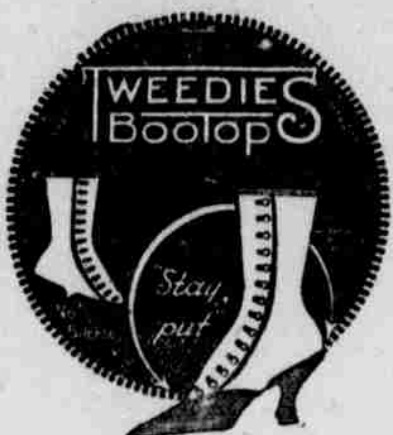
would see to it in due time that such slipshod business methods would not be tolerated, for colleges have creditors and they have debts just the same as the ordinary business concerns. A college would have to go into bankruptcy if constantly running behind, unless, of course, some kind benefactor should step in and pay the debts. In self-defense the colleges and universities have to make additional charges to meet increasing expenses. Dartmouth college is far from bankruptcy; but it probably has as much trouble meeting its financial obligations as do the other institutions of like nature. So the friends of education and the students and prospective students of the Hanover institution will not complain bitterly over the proposed increase in tuition at the beginning of the next college year.

Heard on the Football Field.
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